Disposal of surplus stores

4197. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total value of surplus stores disposed off during the last three yeans by the Department of Supply;

(b) the total profit or loss incurred on this disposal during the same period;

(c) the reasons for the losses, if any; and

(d) the monitoring mechanism which monitors such disposals?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) The book value of stores dispoed off and the sale value realised during the last three years is given as under:

Year	Book Value of stores disposed off	Sale value realised
	crores;	crores;
1989-90 . .	80.28	23.93
1990-91 . .	70.91	23.96
1991-92 . .	84.98	16.46

(b) and (c) Whereas book value of stores required to be disposed off is dependent on No. of years the store has been used, the sale value realised is dependent upon the market condition prevalent at the time of disposal.

Since no relation could be drawn between the two values, the question 0£ profit and loss does not arise. Stores are isposed off at the highest price which could be obtained in sale by tender or auction,

(d) Disposal activities are monitored at different levels depending upon the book value of stores disposed off.

Inspection of the stores of state Governments

4198. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: SHRI IQBAL SINGH:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the State Governments who had desired the inspection of their stores to be made by the Department of Supply during the last three years;

(b) whether any Public Undertakings Autonomous Bodies and quasi public bodies had desired such inspection during the same period, if so, what are their names; and

(c) what are the findings of such inspections, in brief?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) Following State Governments have desired/ utilised the services of Inspection Wing of the DGS&D for inspection of some of their stores during the last three years :—

1. Karnataka
2. Madhya Pradesh
3. Gujarat
4. Andhra Pradesh
5. Jammu and Kashmir
6. West Bengal
7. Bihar
8. Uttar Pradesh
9. Himachal Pradesh 10. Haryana
11. Rajasthan
12. Tamil Nadu
13. Orissa 14. Meghalaya

(b) The Public Sector Undertakings) autonomous bodies\quasi public bodies who have desired/utilised the services of the Inspection Wing of the DGS & D for inspection of some of their stores during the last three years are as under:

1. Bharat Heavy Electricals Bhopal.

2. National Building Construction Corpn. New Delhi.

3. Coal India.

4. Alloy Steel Plant, Durgapur.

5. Vesvesvarayya Iron & Steel Md. Bhadravati.

6. Rourkela Steel Plant.

7. Calcutta Metropolitan Development Agency Calcutta.

8. Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Ltd. New Delhi/Bimbay.

9. Maharashtra Small Scale In dustries Development Corpn. Bom-hay .

(c) The inspections so far carried out reveal that DGS&D Inspection Wing services are being mainly utili sed by State Governments mainly for inspection and testing of all types of water carrying pipes and submersible pumps required for their water sup ply projects.

Public Sector Undertakings are utilising the inspection services of the DGS&D for inspection of pines of all types, electrical items and refractories etc.

Trade Agreement with Bangladesh

4109. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indo- Bangladesh trade review talks which included the renewal of the existing Indo-Bangladesh Trade Agreement was held at New Delhi recently;

(b) whether according to him there is big scope for industrial economic and technical co-operation between the two countries;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof indicating the manner in which two way Indo-Bangla trade amounted in 1900-91 and 1991-92 and what are the prospective for 1992-93 in the context of India's liberalised export-import policy; and

(d) whether India also signed simi lar agreements with any other fore ign countries during the last six mon ths. if so, names thereof and with the scope of trade cooperative?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Indo-Bangladesh trade was as follows:—

(in Rs. Crores)

Year	Exports	Imports	Total	Bala nce
1990-91	547.44	31.29	578.73	516.15
1991-92	809.44	14.16	823.60	795.2 8